

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Fike *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/606,314

Filed: June 29, 2000

For: **Dry Powder Cells and Cell Culture
Reagents and Methods of
Production Thereof**

Confirmation No.: 1340

Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Flood, Michele C.

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Supplemental Reply of Election of Species Requirement

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Sir:

In the Office Action dated November 20, 2006, Applicants are "required to indicate the claims readable on one of the elected species of cells with the regard to the election of the solvent."

Discussion with the Examiner

The Examiner's courtesy extended Applicants' representative in a telephone conversation on December 19, 2006 is acknowledged and gratefully appreciated.

Applicants' representative, Doug Golightly, and the Examiner, Michele Flood, discussed the Office Action dated November 20, 2006. The Examiner indicated that the Office Action required indication of the claims that are readable on the combination of the elected species with 1) water as the solvent and 2) animal cell as the cell.